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Felicitations For Ingrid

Rome, Feb. 5.—The Italian film director, Roberto Rossellini, today said that he and actress Ingrid Bergman received "about 5,000 congratulatory telegrams and messages since the birth of their son on Thursday night."

Rossellini said the "mass" came from everywhere. Most of them were from people we did not know.

Rossellini was the Sunday morning visitor at the Villa Margherita clinic where Miss Bergman is confined. Hospital sources said Miss Bergman and her son are in fine health. —United Press.

French Cabinet Reshuffle

Bidault Replacing Socialists

Paris, Feb. 5.—The Prime Minister, M. Georges Bidault, reshuffled his Cabinet after the resignation of five Socialist Ministers on Friday, said tonight he hoped to fill the vacant posts tomorrow.

Informal quarters here said that M. Bidault was planning to replace the Socialists by members of his own Party, the Popular Republicans, and Radicals. He has no intention of asking right-wing parties to join the new Cabinet, these sources said.

M. Bidault had a 90-minute discussion earlier today with M. Henri Queuille, former Radical Prime Minister.

The Executive and Parliamentary group of the Socialist Party tonight reaffirmed their confidence in the Government and did not necessarily mean that they would oppose M. Bidault's Cabinet to Parliament.

The Socialists do not intend to give up the battle which they have lost together with all the publicans and the Democrats.

"We do not belong to those who desert the battlefield in difficult moments."

INDISPENSABLE

After the meeting with M. Bidault, M. Queuille told reporters that he was "convinced" that the French Premier would succeed.

Radical support is indispensable to the proposed Centre-Right combination which will face the test of a vote of confidence in the National Assembly on Tuesday.

The chief difficulty in establishing free collective bargaining over wages, the Radical object to it as virtually authorizing political strikes.

The Communists and Socialists withdrew from M. Bidault's Coalition after disagreement over the scope of a bonus to be paid to low wage earners and intended to take them over until the bill was passed.

Today well-informed sources said that M. Bidault had offered the Ministry of the Interior to M. Queuille who is holding the post of Deputy Premier in the present Government.

M. Queuille has not yet replied to the invitation, it was stated. —Reuter.

H.K. Striko Incident

Peking Radio Warms Up On Subject

San Francisco, Feb. 5.—The Chinese Communist radio in the further community of the demonstration in Hongkong last week declared today: "We want the culprits of this incident that the working class of China will brook no suppression of our brother workers. Four hundred thousand Peking workers support the just demands of the Hongkong fraternal workers."

The Peking Trade Union Council, which is now in session, passed a resolution protesting the Hongkong Government's "brutal action," the radio declared.

"Only some days ago," the radio said, "Britain expressed her desire to establish diplomatic relations with the People's China, and now the Hongkong Police suppress our brother workers with armed force. This eloquently reveals the hypocrisy and true colours of imperialism."

Chairman of the Peking University Students Union, Wang Hsueh-chun, described the action of the Hongkong Police as an "assault to the Chinese people," the broadcast concluded. —United Press.

Good For The Soul

Leeds, Feb. 5.—Britain's Deputy Prime Minister Herbert Morrison revealed today that when he is home he helps wash the dishes.

"I find it good for my soul," he said. —Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

More Unreasonable Demands

THE Tramway workers have decided to issue more "demands"—this time to the Commissioner of Police, whose men, in the face of extreme provocation last week, merely carried out their duties for the maintenance of civil law and order. More becoming would have been an expression of regret that certain elements among the strikers had been responsible for an alarming disturbance, and a resolution giving assurances that there would be no repetition of that sort of behaviour. The Tramway men appear to be determined to try and dictate all along the line. The attitude has characterised their negotiations with the management in the current dispute, and now, apparently, they feel they must maintain the same posture with the Authorities. Amongst other things they demand the immediate and unconditional termination of Police occupation of their union headquarters. They are not entitled to any such concession. Only the most solemn assurances that the premises will be used in a lawful manner would justify the Authorities handing them back to the Union. The Tramway men, seemingly, are not disposed to give such promises. Therefore, in the interests of public safety and order, they should remain under the guardianship of the Police. The strikers also require "full compensation for damage done to the Union's premises and others" yet they offer no evidence in the first place as to what damage, if any, has been caused by last week's Police action, nor do they realise that if there were any damage, they, by their irresponsible behaviour, were the original cause of it. A third demand is for an official public apology,

which provides an ironical touch. To most people it would seem that if there is to be any apologising, it should come from the men who created last week's disturbance resulting in injuries to Police officers as well as demonstrators. The Tramway men persist in striking a pose which in fact losing for them any popular sympathy. Having committed a breach of the peace they blandly expect those who were responsible to escape scot free, and to enjoy the right of creating civil disorder whenever they are so inclined. They are labouring under a misapprehension. A dispute over working conditions with the management is principally their own affair, although, naturally, the public are interested because withdrawal of the tram services means inconvenience and discomfort. But the public generally appreciates the necessity of maintaining law and order and any threat to this state of affairs, whether it comes from Tramway strikers or others, must be resisted. That is the simple explanation for the Police action which the Tramway men so vehemently criticise, and until and unless these workers realise the necessity for behaving in a manner that does not violate the laws of the Colony, they must expect the Authorities to take a strong line. In fact, any weakening on the part of the Police in the carrying out of their duties to preserve peace and the safety of life and property would, quite rightly, produce strong public protests. The demands which the Tramway workers intend to present to the Authorities are wholly inconsistent with realities and do not deserve serious consideration.

180 Million Lire Bid For Masterpiece

Rome, Feb. 5.—An unnamed Milanese industrialist has offered 180 million lire for Michael Angelo's last masterpiece—a statue of the "Mourning Madonna."

The statue has been offered for sale by the heirs of its last owners, Count Roberto Sanseverino, who died in 1846. Two conditions are attached to its sale. It must not leave Italy and the Italian Government will be given two months to match any final bid.

The statue, a marble figure of the Madonna mourning the dead Christ, is known as the Rondanini "Pieta." It stood for many centuries in the courtyard of the Rondanini Palace, in the heart of Rome.

But the Milanese industrialist's bid will probably not be enough, since art experts estimate the statue—390 years old—to be worth the equivalent of £150,000. —Reuter.

More Interested In Football Than The Election Campaign

Leeds, Feb. 5.—Mr Winston Churchill's visit barely made a dent into this city's current rage—football.

The leader of the Conservative Party and the Labour government's Deputy Prime Minister Herbert Morrison picked a difficult time to make their campaign appeals here for the February 23 election.

Mr Churchill's speech on Saturday drew about 7,000 in-side and outside the Town Hall in Victoria Square.

A football game of Leeds United team, at the same time, was watched by at least three times that many. The Leeds United first team was away from home beating Coventry 4 to 0. Longing all season, it has recently come to life and aroused rabid response of the town's sportsmen.

In the pubs and clubs, fans replayed the game on Sunday. Mr Churchill and Mr Morrison were vague figures.

The election, that's days away yet, said one linky Yorkshireman as he lifted his tankard.

"That next Wednesday our team gets another crack at the Cup Team."

Mr Morrison made the Labour Party's first speech of a broadcast series from a studio without an audience here on Saturday night. He is speaking three times today and has

more speaking dates for Monday at Labour Party meetings in this district.

It is difficult to tell just what impact Mr Churchill's and Mr Morrison's visits have had.

Political observers here believe a majority of the people already have made up their mind how they will cast their ballot. And for that reason, they say politics is not a lively topic of general discussion.

Most of the under-dressed, appeared to be of the middle class. "Most of us are Liberals slightly to the left at heart," one of them said, "but we are beginning to wonder what eventually will happen to us."

Leeds had five Labour and one Conservative MP in the last Parliament. Under redistribution, the city gets one more seat. Of the seven seats at stake in this election, local politicians say two appear safe for the Conservatives and two for Labour with the only contest being in the other three. —Associated Press.

CRIPPS' WARNING

London, Feb. 5.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, told a South London election meeting tonight: "There is a very great danger today that reaction may sweep over Europe. The one great safeguard against a reaction sweeping over Europe is that there should be a Labour Government or a progressive Government in Britain."

Sir Stafford continued saying: "I have just returned from a week in Paris during which I met many politicians from different parts of Europe. The old cry—let the profit earner free—is again being heard in various countries in Europe. That is why all progressive forces on the Continent of Europe are anxious that we here play our part in halting the return of that reactionary policy."

Sir Stafford claimed: "Surely we have brought about a recovery from the disruption and destruction of war more rapidly and more efficiently than any other country which suffered in the same way."

When an interrupter shouted "No," the Chancellor exclaimed: "People who study the facts say 'Yes.'" —Reuter.

LIBERAL CANDIDATES

London, Feb. 5.—The Liberal Party Headquarters tonight announced that the number of Liberal candidates selected to fight the General Election passed the 450 mark and more were expected to be nominated.

Mr Frank Byers, the Liberal chief Whip in the Parliament just dissolved, when adopted as a candidate for Blandford, North Dorset, said that the Liberal Party believed in social reform and had pioneered most of the measures from which the country was benefitting, but it refused to accept the idea that it got social reform there must also accept Socialism. —Reuter.

Communists Said To Be Planning Berlin Putsch

MAY 28 DEMONSTRATION: WESTERN POWERS READY

Berlin, Feb. 5.—Western intelligence sources said here today that they had received reports that the Communists were planning to turn their 500,000-man youth demonstration here on Sunday, May 28, into a putsch for power. They said reports to that effect had been piling up in their files for the past month, but they emphasised that they had no way of confirming them.

Mr Kenneth Downs, American public affairs chief in Berlin, said: "We have plans for all eventualities. Naturally normal security measures will be taken."

A high German source said the Western powers and German officials were conferring on the threat. He refused to say what measures would be taken because "we consider it unwise to tell the enemy our plans in advance."

American intelligence sources in Frankfurt said several reports of the Communist plans had been made. They added that they all "looked quite serious."

Charges that the Communists planned to "seize" West Berlin added to the general case of jitter caused here by Russian on-again, off-again "baby blockade." It was on again tonight after restrictions were eased for nearly 24 hours. At Heinstedt, tonight Soviet guards took up to 10 minutes to check car trucks' papers and cargo and the backlog soon built up to 25 trucks.

Police broke up Communist attempts to demonstrate in the French sector of Berlin and arrested 30 persons. Allied sources said they regarded the skirmish as part of the Communist campaign to back up the Soviet's "little blockade" with a war of nerves in Western parts of the city. One of the French sector hall for a riot rally had been refused, but the police said about 100 persons planned to seize the hall anyway. They were taken into custody by West German police, who were waiting for them on the sector border.

Western officials expected the Russians to wake the "little blockade" in wake of the sharp Soviet rejection of Allied charges that the Soviets were hindering traffic.

The West German police clash with Communist demonstrations was the first violence since the Russians clamped their "little blockade" on Berlin on January 18.

The Russians were passing from four to ten trucks an hour at the zonal border checkpoint at Heinstedt.

GIGANTIC MARCH

Reports that the Communists were planning a putch followed an announcement by Gerhard Eisler, former Communist agent in the United States and now East German Minister of Information, on January 21: "From May 27 to May 30 Berlin, Germany and the whole world will witness the most gigantic march of German youth ever to take place in Germany."

He said 20,000 specially-trained members of the Free German Youth, the Soviet Zone Communist organization, would demonstrate in the Western sectors. Sponsors of the youth rally have asked British permission to hold sporting events in the Olympic Stadium on May 28, the day the putch reportedly would be attempted.

Reports received by Allied intelligence said the Communists planned to tie up West Berlin with 11,000 policemen and take over the city government.

One intelligence source said, "We cannot vouch for the absolute truth of the reports, but we think there is a lot of truth in them. There is no doubt something will come off. It looks like dynamite."

Eisler said 500,000 youths would be gathered here from Germany, Russia, China, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, France, Italy, Austria, Norway and Sweden. —United Press.

WANTS TANKS USED

Bonn, Feb. 5.—The Western Powers should place tanks at the approaches to the Western sectors of Berlin to prevent Communist demonstrators occupying the entire city during a planned big Whitman rally, the West German Social Democratic leader, Herr Kurt Schumacher, said here today.

He declared that unless they took this precaution it would be

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SO THE DEAL WAS OFF

Naples, Feb. 5.—Signor Vincenzo Marvasi, a 35-year-old Neapolitan, sold his wife, Clara, to a friend for 40,000 lire. But his friend, a Signor Vinciguerra, after several days, decided that he wanted his money back.

Signor Marvasi refused, so both men—taking the "little" with them—went to the local magistrate. Marvasi displayed a "bill of sale" receipted with postage stamps.

The magistrate took one look and said that the sale was illegal—there was only 70 lire worth of stamps on the bill instead of 80.—Reuter.

Bad Weather Hinders Salvage

An official of Messrs Moliers this morning stated that the Prince Salvor, a Royal Naval salvage vessel on loan to their salvage department is still grounded on a reef on Pratas.

As yet, no further attempts have been made to pull the ship off by the salvage vessel Margaret Moller which has been lying off since yesterday. Bad weather has so far made impossible any attempts to board the stricken ship.

The official stated this morning that the ship is holed and leaking in Nos. 1 & 2 holds and is down by the head.

The official further stated that no further news of the situation is expected until late tonight or early tomorrow morning.

Children Frozen To Death

Tehran, Feb. 5.—Ten children have been frozen to death in Ahn, a city Northwest of Azarbaijan, a government official reported today.

Thousands of refugees who came to Tehran a few months ago and are now being sent back to Azarbaijan have been trapped on the roads by the heavy snow.

Army planes are dropping food parcels and cavalry units are taking sick refugees to nearby towns on horseback. —Associated Press.

New Chairman Of Atomic Energy Commission

Washington, February 5.—President Truman has offered the chairmanship of the United States Atomic Energy Commission to 40-year-old Charles Luckman who recently quit the \$300,000 a year job as president of Lever Brothers Company, it was reported today.

Asked to confirm the report, Mr. Luckman told the United Press, "You would have to ask the President to get a direct answer. I will not deny or confirm the report."

The White House refused to comment.

The \$17,500 a year post becomes vacant on February 15 when Mr. David Lilienthal retires to private life after three years at the helm of the vital \$4,000,000,000 atom bomb programme. Other quarters said he is having a hard time in finding a qualified man.

The President is believed anxious to fill the vacancy quickly so the Commission can proceed in "full speed ahead" on the super-secret hydrogen bomb.

Usually well-informed quarters said Mr. Luckman became the expected prospect when he summarily resigned on January 18 from the presidency of the multi-million dollar corporation.

If Mr. Luckman accepts the nomination he would face a hard Senate fight for confirmation. Many legislators have been sold toward him since 1947 when he served as chairman of President Truman's highly controversial Farm Conservation Committee. Also he is an active and outspoken supporter of Mr. Truman's legislative programme. This might stir up strong Republican and Southern Democratic opposition. —United Press.

Coast Guards To Rescue

Ancona, Feb. 5.—Italian Coast Guard boats raced out from this Adriatic port tonight to try to rescue an Italian fishing boat which signalled that she was being seized by Yugoslav forces. The Coast Guard radio station here received this radio message from the trawler, Angela: "Am being boarded by Yugoslav fishery patrol outside Yugoslav waters. Please send help. We will try to..." then the message faded out.

Hourly authorities said that the Angela had a crew of 15 on board. Repeated Italian protests over the sequestration of fishing vessels have been rejected by the Yugoslavs, who maintain that the Italians have been "poaching" in Yugoslav territorial waters.—Reuter.

RED PLOT IN BOLIVIA CRUSHED

La Paz, Bolivia, Feb. 5.—The police today announced that a Communist plot to "attack" Bolivia's electric power and food supplies had been crushed by the arrest of an undisclosed number of persons.

The official announcement said persons arrested included seven foreign Communists and 19 persons who recently raided a collective market.

The nationwide onslaught was reportedly scheduled to start tomorrow. The Communist conspiracy was reported just three weeks after the government had proclaimed a "state of siege" in Bolivia to frustrate an alleged Right Wing attempt to overthrow the government.

It was not clear whether the attacks on Bolivia's economic key-stones were to have taken the form of sabotage attempts, outright seizure or paralyzing strikes. The police statement said the Bolivian plot was linked with the wave of "totalitarian" strikes which had crippled Chile for 12 days.

RETURN TO NORMAL

Business and industry in Chile, which borders Bolivia to the south, returned to normal only yesterday.

The communists said seven foreign agitators—two Chileans, three Brazilians and two Peruvians—had been sent here to help the local Communists plan the attack. The official announcement said Bolivia's "recently formed" Communist Party, aided by foreign Reds, had planned to act simultaneously on four fronts:

1. Subversive literature, to be distributed to the public.
 2. Simultaneous attacks on electricity plants and water-works.
 3. Sabotage sources of food supply.
 4. Aggressive public demonstrations to provoke the police.
- The police said the Bolivian Communist party was directed by Sergio Almaraz and Jose Perillo. —United Press.

MR CUBE HAS STARTED AN ELECTION ARGUMENT

From Our Own Correspondent

MEET Mr Cube, the man who made his first appearance in Britain a couple of months ago and has set the whole nation arguing. He symbolises Tate and Lyle's determination to resist the threat of nationalisation — a threat which would become a reality if the Labour Party won the General Election and implemented its pledge to take over the sugar refining industry.

Adopting various attitudes of aggression, servility or indignation, Mr Cube makes his appearance almost daily in the advertisement columns of the National Press, along with a selection from Tate and Lyle's considerable repertoire of anti-nationalisation slogans.

Two Chinese On Canada's Leper Island

By KNOWLTON NASH

Beaverbrook, Canada, Feb. 5. — Two Chinese lepers, a man and a woman, have been found on the remote island of St. Paul, one of the most isolated of the Canadian leper colonies. The man, who is named Charlie, and the woman, who is named Victoria, were found by a party of three men who were sent to the island to check on the progress of the leprosy.

But when the party reached the island, they found the two Chinese lepers. They were found in a small hut which they had built for themselves. The man, Charlie, was found with a severe case of leprosy, and the woman, Victoria, was found with a less severe case. They were both found to be in good health, and they were both found to be in good spirits. They were both found to be in good health, and they were both found to be in good spirits.

TWO CHINESE LEFT

Now it is a different story. Two Chinese lepers, Charlie and Victoria, are now in the hospital at St. Paul. They are both in good health, and they are both in good spirits. They are both in good health, and they are both in good spirits.

Charlie was found with a severe case of leprosy, and Victoria was found with a less severe case. They were both found to be in good health, and they were both found to be in good spirits.

Both came to the island in the 1940s, and they were both found to be in good health, and they were both found to be in good spirits. They were both found to be in good health, and they were both found to be in good spirits.

Only Charlie's wife, who is named Victoria, was found to be in good health, and she was found to be in good spirits.

DOCTORS CALLS REGULARLY

Affable Dr. H. B. Jones, who is in charge of the hospital at St. Paul, calls on the two Chinese lepers regularly. He is a friendly man, and he is a good doctor. He is a friendly man, and he is a good doctor.

Treatment of leprosy is a long process, and it is a difficult one. It is a long process, and it is a difficult one. It is a long process, and it is a difficult one.

Canada's only other leper colony was at St. Paul, where three women and four men were being treated. They were being treated, and they were being treated.

BOY AGED 8 WRITES NOVEL

Eight-year-old Axel d'Ester has had his first book, "The Exciting Forest," published in London. It is a story about a boy who goes to a forest and finds a treasure.

He wrote it when he was six, and has since written another novel, about two swans on Lake Geneva.

His second book is to be published by Methuen in London. The foreword to "The Exciting Forest" is by Axel's guardian, playwright Clifford Dax.

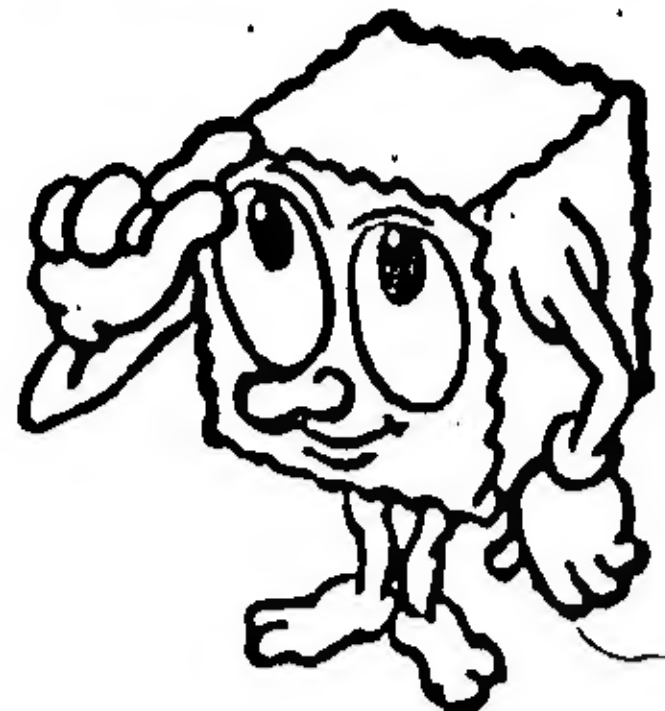
"My chief duty is to guarantee this quaint story is by a boy only just turned six," Dax says. "I must say that the author wrote his story first in French and then translated it into English."

Axel was born in London and has always spoken French and English.

K. O. CANNON The Riddle of the Red Domino



London, Feb. 1.



MR CUBE

Does that sound complicated? Well, rest assured that the whole of Britain and that in which many a prominent King's Counsel is just as baffled as you or I. But the trouble has been given to the Government spokesmen, who must be given their chance in Court.

THE PUZZLE

The puzzle, when one gets down to it, is a simple one. It is a puzzle about the sugar refining industry. It is a puzzle about the sugar refining industry.

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NEWS IN PICTURES



TOP INTERNATIONAL RATING—This plane, the Prince, shown near London, is the first British aircraft in its class to achieve the category "A" of the International Civil Aviation Organisation. It carries eight to 12 passengers, and can be easily converted for use in freight and mail service.



CUTE CATCH—Satin makes a shimmering bow into the sports wardrobe as a trimming on the two-piece playsuit modelled by Mary Brown at Miami Beach, Florida. It appears at the neckline and cap sleeves, as well as the waistband.



JAPAN'S SACRED MOUNTAIN—This excellent view from Yokohama shows the world-famous sacred mountain, Fujiyama. Rising to well over 12,000 feet, this object of intense Japanese adoration is almost a perfect cone in shape.



LOTS OF SILVER HERE—Dolores Medlin, chosen as 1950 "Swim for Health" Queen at Miami Beach, Florida, shows you how heavy her trophy is. The weight of her cup is apparently too great to permit her to straighten up.



WINTER SPORTS IN BERLIN—These youngsters stamp the snow down on the steps of the ruined Reichstag building in the German city to transform it into a ski run. The season's first snowfall brought children out from the city's three zones to participate in winter sports. Skiing in the city is something of a novelty.



IN ON THE ACT—More than 2,000 dogs and their masters staged a demonstration in Milan, Italy, to protest against an increase in dog taxes. This white poodle wears a paper hat with the phrase "I protest—death to taxes." Police had to disperse the demonstrators, who broke up with shouts, barks and bitches.

Calwell's Cases Reviewed

Latest of the White Australia controversial cases found in the files of Mr Arthur Calwell and now being investigated by his successor, Immigration Minister Holt, concerns two brothers from Ceylon.

One was accepted as an Australian settler. The other is barred because "his skin is much darker and he is not predominantly European in appearance. Both are descended from Dutch settlers in Ceylon."

—London Express Service.

BUBBLEGUM IMPROVED

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BECOME ABHORRENT

He says of the Book of Common Prayer: "The Book of Common Prayer is pictured as being too refined to have any dealings with gross matters, hence the sex act and what comes of it are abhorrent and altogether displeasing to him."

Mr Moyle describes a young mother and father gaily making their way to church for the baptism of their first baby.

They are prepared to hear the Voice of God over their child.

Instead, they hear the parson begin:

"Dear Beloved: For as much as all men are conceived and born in sin . . ."

Mr Moyle says: "The young parents hear prayers which if answered in terms of their request would cause otherwise normal offspring to grow up sexually impotent."

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"Ho, no — the village girls weren't good enough for him — HE was going to marry Gorgeous Gussie when HE grew up."

(London Express Service)

SEFTON DELMER'S NEWSMAP

How Cheap Is A British Passport

The incredible case history of Karl Loesch, late of the S.S., underlines a state of affairs which surely should be changed

Anyone who queries up to passport inspection, as often as I do, is bound to recognize sooner or later that this British citizenship of ours is a club from which few are blackballed nowadays.

But muted, as I am to all shocks in this connection, the arrival in London of Herr Karl von Loesch of Frankfurt as the proud possessor of one of the British passports has stirred me. "How on earth did you manage it?" I asked him. "Well," said Karl, with an engagingly smile, "I had some backing in a certain department of the Foreign Office."

A man I'd like to meet

HE professed not to know which department or what official was responsible. Which is a pity. For I would very much like to hear from the official's own lips what prompted them to give a British passport to a man who, during the war, not only occupied an important confidential position in the German Foreign Office but joined the Nazi Party in 1940 and held the rank of Obersturmführer in Hitler's SS (roughly equivalent to lieutenant).

Not that I have anything against Karl von Loesch as a person. I have always got on well with him, since I first came to know him as an undergraduate at Oxford.

And if, as a German, he decides to work in Ribbentrop's Ministry and do his best to help Hitler win the war, he is waging against my country, that is, in my view, an attitude he is perfectly entitled to take up. But frankly I am puzzled how the British authorities can give him a British passport after this clear demonstration that he was an active and militant German.

The legal basis for their action is that von Loesch is technically of what is called dual nationality. He was born in England. His father was a diplomat at the Kaiser's embassy in London. And he apparently made use of that circumstance of birth in England, and secured recognition as a person entitled to a British passport if he wished and to claim the privileges of a British citizen everywhere in the world except Germany.

von Loesch certainly made full use of the British pass-

port he had in the years before the war, even as far as when flying over to London on diplomatic business for Hitler.

I remember well the memorable impression it made on me, as he sat in my London flat on one of those crisis days of July 1939.

He had come over to the meeting with some papers for the German Embassy had produced his British passport at the airport as he went out of his way to tell me and was now doing a little better war-fare for his master on me.

"I would not care to be living here when the balloon goes up," he said in his faultless English. "Won't be much of a left after about a fortnight I fear, old chap."

I did not hear anything more of him until after the war, when von Loesch, like other high members of the German Foreign Office, was arrested and interned.

Friends of mine saw him and told me that he was "co-operative" "von Loesch," so one of his British interrogators told me, "is all out to please. He has given valuable information."

Soon after that I heard from him myself. Von Loesch wrote to me to say that he had applied for his British passport to be returned to him, and he was giving my name as a reference.

Intracies of dual nationality

HE wanted it for the sake of his two daughters, he explained, and also to help him in getting released considerable funds which his English-born mother left him, and which lay in London, frozen by the British Custodian of Enemy Property.

I must confess I never dreamt of getting his passport back. To my all-too-simple mind it seemed that, if he was British now, then he had been British all through the war. And that would surely mean that he had committed treason.

But presumably I did not make sufficient allowance for the legal intricacies of dual nationality. Anyhow, he comes to England, and spends Christmas with his wife and daughters (they all three have British passports as well) in London. He is full of confidence that the British will allow him at least enough of his mother's money to have his children educated in Britain, and perhaps more than that.

foreigners as an honoree, and as a reward for services rendered to Britain. And even then only when we are sure that the men and women being naturalized have a real sense of community with Britain.

As our laws stand today, however, many foreign residents in Britain are forced to become British citizens to avoid the discrimination against them. I would therefore

1. **CREATE** a special category of resident aliens, enjoying the same privileges as full citizens concerning residence, work, and trade in Britain. In the case of Stateless refugees I would give them a special passport entitling them to British protection.

2. **ABOLISH** dual nationality for all persons above the age of 20. They would have to plump for one of their two nationalities.

3. **MAKE** the granting of naturalization subject not to the decision of a clerk at the Home Office but of a British judge and jury.

Whether any of these measures are adopted or not there is one thing that I suggest should be done at once. Can it be all British passports held by persons who, after obtaining them, added the King's emblems?

(London Express Service)

Bottle-fed Donkeys Star In Fairy Film

By EVELYN IRONS

HAMMAMET, Tunisia. FIFTEEN baby donkeys, which had to be bottle-fed six times a day, co-starred in a film which has just ended four months' location on the island of Djjerba, about 300 miles south of here.

Idyllic Djjerba, with its white minarets, tall palms and golden sands, was the original Land of the Lotus-Eaters, famed from Homer on.

Handsomely bronzed Arab Azdin Swick, home in his native Hammamet, after working as an assistant director on the film, said: "No lotus-eating for me—I had the job of bottle-feeding the donkeys."

The film, an Arab fairy tale, is called *Bin* (name-part played by a milk white donkey). It will be seen in Paris around Christmas.

Bin's owner is played by Abdullah, a 13-year-old shoe-shine boy from the streets of the Arab city of Kairouan. Villains of the piece are the landowner's son, the young Cold, who tries to steal Bin; for this role the director chose Messoud, a wild Djjerba Bedouin, aged 11.

Eighteen-year-old Mahomet, who says he earns three shillings a day at the village bakery ("It's a good wage"), asks "Don't you have camels in London? I cannot believe it. And no dromedaries, either?"

Here, camels carry firewood, draw the plough, haul water from the well.

It is the eve of an Arab wedding. Dress rehearsal is on. In the white-walled, candle-lit bedroom, stands the bride, a small slim girl with tearful eyes, and a seared, sallow face.

Already she wears four long

INDEPENDENT MP W. J. BROWN asks
What price the LIBERALS?

London. There cannot, I conceive, be any real alternative to make or break this time. And whether it will be make or break depends upon the estimate which public opinion forms as to the prospects of Liberal candidates.

If the surviving Liberalism of the country, or that frame of mind which dreads the alternatives of Socialism or Conservatism, thinks that the Liberal Party has no chance, then the alternative dreads the less, as between Socialism and Conservatism, will be chosen, and the Liberal Party will fade from the scene.

There is, however, another possibility in which some believe. If the election result is close, as between Socialists and Conservatives, it is possible that even a small Liberal Parliamentary Party might hold the balance of power in the new Parliament.

Keep it alive. If the balancing power were wisely exercised, it would tend to keep the Liberal Party alive, and events might provide the opportunity for further attempts to win the country back to what was once a great historic party.

Both the bigger parties are worried by the Liberals. The Tories would, if they could, wipe out the Liberal candidates, for they want an undivided anti-Socialist vote.

The Socialists welcome Liberal candidates (vide Mr Morrison's Lewisham speech), because they think that where there is no Liberal candidate most of the Liberal votes would go Tory rather than Socialists.

Liberal voters think that the Social Security aspects of the Socialist programme have been realized in this present Parliament, and that, in the next, it is large doses of further nationalization with which the Socialists would doctor us. The Liberal mind shudders at the idea of the Omnipresent State; and with reason.

Spirit lives. But whether the Liberal Party does well or ill, of one thing I am sure. The Liberal spirit, which desires social justice without the Socialist accompaniment of the strait-jacket, which thinks that the masses should be properly treated without necessarily making life impossible for men as individuals, which desires to reconcile the demand for social security with the preservation of personal freedom—that spirit, I say, will live.

For if that should die in England, there are millions who would not care greatly to live.

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What follows from this? It follows, I think, that the Liberals will do either very well, or very poorly. For them it is a case of either Caesar or nothing.

garments, heavily embroidered in silver and gold. Completely covering her face is a length of thick gold lame like a priest's cope.

Six crones beating drums and cymbals lead her out to the open. It is crammed with women. Faces are all unveiled; no man is present. Above the milling mob, four thrones stand at the corners; on each a woman splendidly robed in wedding velvet and gold sits, still as a statue, her face garishly painted and barred with black kohl.

The bride is hoisted to a fifth throne. She can scarcely stand under the weight of her robes. A long howl rises from the dusk of the courtyard.

Tomorrow, after the wedding ceremony, the bridegroom will remove the gold mask and see his bride for the first time.

Mustapha, the young fisherman, said: "This country looks good to tourists, but it is no place for a man to live."

"Why? Because we keep our women at home. Men go alone to the cafe, to the pictures, to swim—and it's deadly dull."

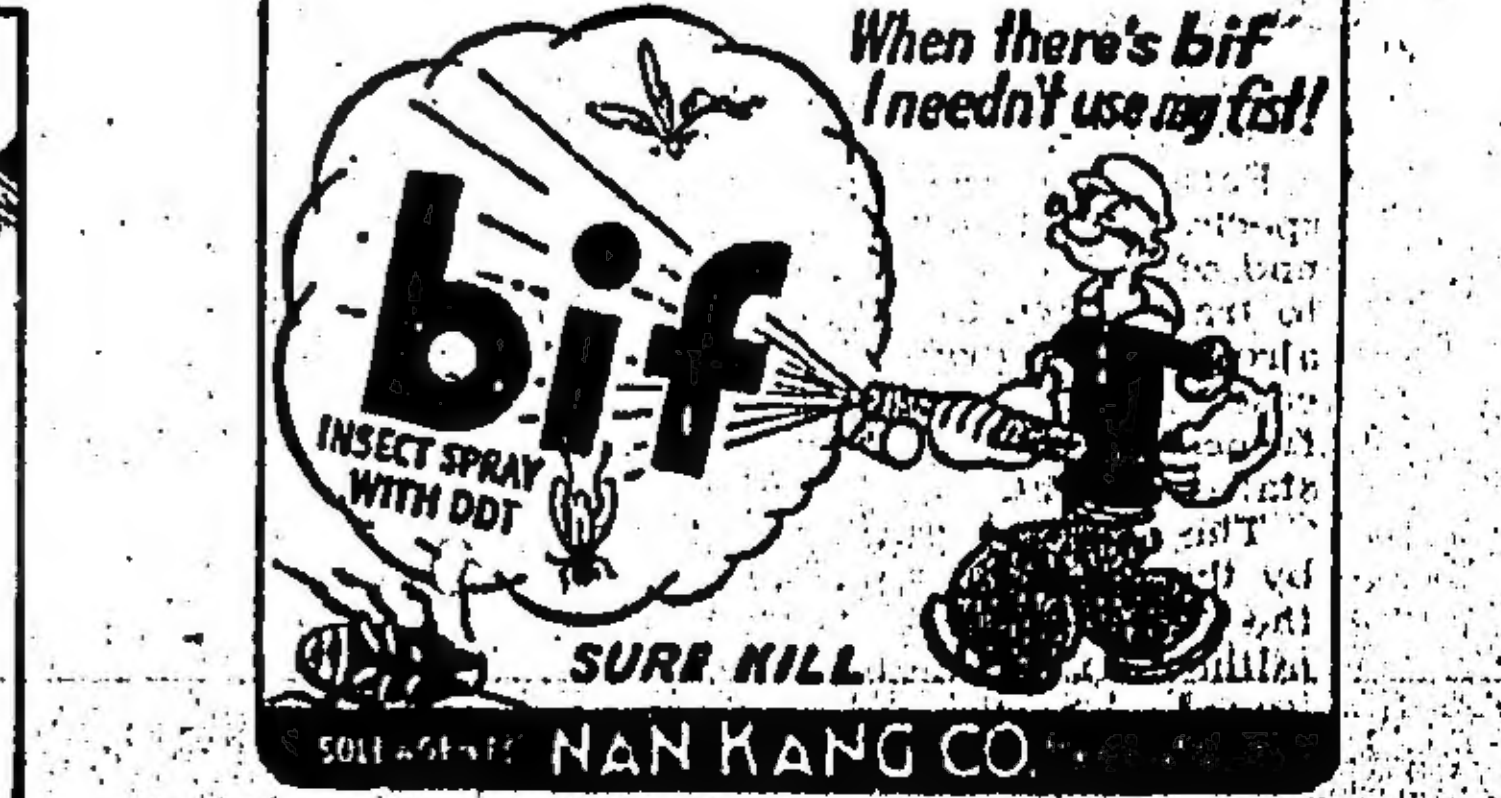
Tourists' Footnote.—Cost of land-and-sea return journey from London to Tunis, including 24-hour Mediterranean trip from Marsala to Tunis, comfortable French liner—£38.

Expenses on Tunisian coast, roughly the same as in medium-class Riviera resorts. Admirable French hotel 25s. a day full pension. Pleasant local wine about 2s. a bottle.

—(London Express Service)

NANCY

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FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

'Trap Bids' Often Bad for Partner

BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

ONE of the pitfalls in bidding for the beginner is termed "trap bidding." The point I want to impress upon your mind today is this: Before you make a bid, ask yourself if it will trap your partner in any way.

In today's hand South opened the bidding with one spade. North, who had two and one-half tricks, or an opening bid, knew there was a game in the

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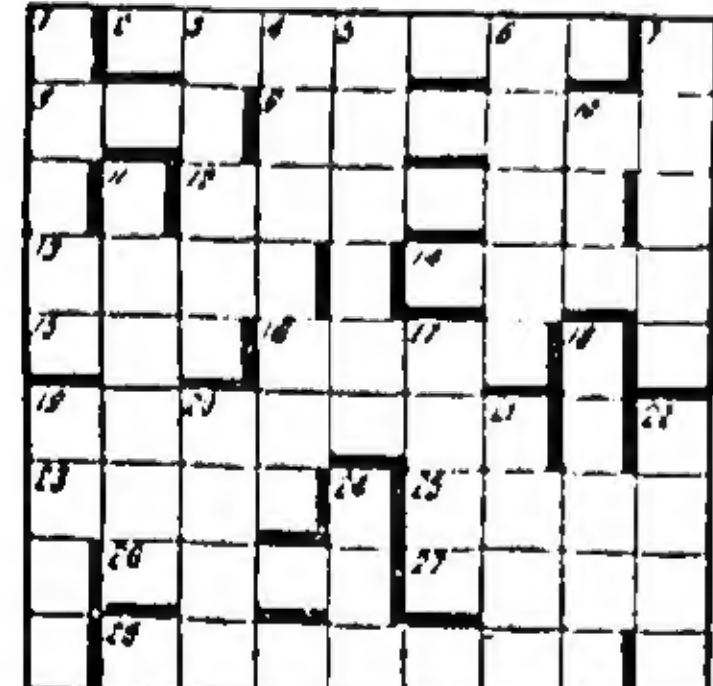
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Check Your Knowledge

1. Identify William Harrison Dampier.
2. What caused the tragedy of the Titanic?
3. What is a quince?
4. What languages have contributed to the development of the English language?
5. How many voyages did Christopher Columbus make to the western hemisphere?
6. Name the second largest continent.

(Answers on Page 8)

CROSSWORD



- Across
1. It moves in a circle, making a ring, (7)
2. Familiarly address Stella (3)
3. Personal courage (5)
4. He slips in proper order will be split up a split or two in (10)
5. The A.P. took it for a piece, (5)
6. You need tapes before it to make it a valuable hanging (5)
7. A luncheon that may be shot (4)
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3. Endless, man-made airplane (6)
4. Surely not the one to care (6)
5. May be one of a kind (6)
6. Naturally you'd call him a man of colour (6)
7. Successor to the League of Nations (6)
8. Every old has one (6)
9. Words and music can make one (6)
10. Probably not a thing to jump in (6)
11. It may hold up in more ways than one (6)
12. The good old days (6)
13. This entrance is often barred (6)
14. Three-quarters of 25 Across (6)

DUMB BELLS

AS SOON AS I SAW YOU COME ALONG THE ROAD I SAID TO MYSELF, FIFTY FIVE AT LEAST.



YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

If you are born today, your natural talents suffer mainly from diffusion. Cultivate concentration. This is a habit easily acquired, and it is the basis of all achievement. You are a day of the month, and you are a day of the month.

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AROUND THE WORLD

The Artistic Gems of Milan

By TEMPLE MANNING

MILAN is an old centre, important in history, one of the earliest of the great banking and industrial centres, and yet its greatest glory centres neither in history, in finance, nor in business. Its great attractions, as in the case with so many Italian towns, are all artistic, with emphasis on the mighty cathedral, the famous La Scala opera house, and one painting, Da Vinci's portrayal of the Last Supper.



Milan, with spires of cathedral in foreground.

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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

AN American scientist has said that the composer of the future will compose a sound-track instead of writing down his music in the old-fashioned way. As long as the result is played on a cinema-organ, the only complaints are likely to be from silly Fascist beasts. I think it more likely that the music of the future will be composed by a kind of cash-register-cum-typewriter, which will eject 80 notes per second, already arranged to form a melody. This would ensure speed and accuracy.

Guide to the situation

Will state fish cost more?

Yes.

Will devaluation of the £ increase the dollar debt?

Yes.

Will it increase all other debts?

Yes.

Will there be a shortage of damsons?

See under fruit.

Will state eggs cost more?

Yes.

How will the Government cut down expenses?

By cutting four lift-porters and abolishing one lift-porter per 100 per man hour per unit of personnel.

Oh, la Lawood!

Sunday cricket will turn Bedford into a Continental town.

Will you continue your efforts to secure the world's peace?

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DOLLAR MARKET PROSPECT

by Beachcomber

Prestwick, Scotland, Feb. 5.—The Chairman of Britain's Dollar Export Board, Sir Cecil Weir, returned by air today from a ten-day visit to Canada and the United States convinced that the United Kingdom can sell more products in the U.S. market.

Canada particularly, he said, will buy more British products so that it may dispose of more of its primary commodities in the traditional United Kingdom market.

He advised British manufacturers to deliver goods promptly and to meet competitive prices.

Sir Cecil said he will require further into the action of Seattle in denying an electrical contract to a British firm despite the fact that it offered the lowest bid.

United Kingdom firms should have the same opportunities as a domestic firm if their prices are right," he said.

Associated Press.

Chicago Grain Market

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Grain futures today reacted mostly after a steady opening the 1st moved downward in subsequent trading.

Prices are as follows:

WHEAT, prices per bushel:

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Anglo-American Film Pact Result

Hollywood, Feb. 5.—Hollywood may have less than 6,000,000 frozen dollars in England when the two-year Anglo-American film pact ends next June. So said Mr Eric Johnston at a press conference here.

Mr Johnston, President of the Motion Picture Association of America, an organization of major Hollywood studios, said Hollywood did \$60,000,000 worth of business in Britain in 1949. Operating expenses cut this figure to about \$45,000,000.

Hollywood took \$39,000,000, out of Britain last year, including the \$17,000,000 established by the Anglo-American pact. An additional \$22,000,000 came out under the 27 provisions of the agreement. Thus \$60,000,000 of the \$145,000,000 remains in Britain.

Daily Variety, a motion picture trade publication, estimates that the American film industry took more than \$100,000,000 out of all foreign markets in 1949.

More than one-third of Hollywood's production came from outside the United States. Mr Johnston revealed, pointing out that in 1947 37.5 percent of its income came from over

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